

## ABSTRACT

A method for driving a plasma display panel is disclosed in which generation of a region having brightness non-uniformity can be reduced over an entire screen without changing the voltage and pulse width of sustain pulses thus enabling suppression of an increase in power consumption. This method for driving a plasma display panel comprises an initialization period for forming a discharge cell at an intersection where scan electrode and sustain electrode meet data electrode and generating initialization discharge in the cell, a writing period for generating writing discharge in the discharge cell, and a sustain period for generating sustain discharge by alternately applying sustain pulses to the scan electrode and sustain electrode of the discharge cell, and rise time of the sustain pulses to be applied to the scan electrode and sustain electrode during the sustain period is shortened at a frequency of once every several times.